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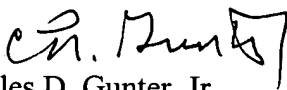
This case is a 35 U.S.C. 371 submission to the United States Designated/Elected Office based upon PCT/EP2004/051609, international filing date July 27, 2004, priority date July 28, 2003. The primary purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to remove the multiple dependencies in the claim language prior to the initial examination of the application.

Applicant has also entered an amendment to page 11 of the original Specification to correct an obvious inconsistency in the text and the original Table 6. It is apparent from the Table that the viscosity was being measured initially and after "7 days" time. The text is merely being corrected to correctly correspond to the data contained in the Table. No new matter is being introduced.

No additional fee is thought to be due at this time. If any additional fee is due for the continued prosecution of this application, please charge the same to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 50-2555 (Whitaker, Chalk, Swindle & Sawyer, LLP).

Respectfully submitted,

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